Monitoring agency for private hospitals

2140. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has been decided to constitute Monitoring Committees to oversee the functioning of private recognized hospitals;

(b) if so, the reasons for which the said Committees have not been constituted, so far; and

(c) whether Government propose to constitute the said Committees at an early date especially for NCR towns like Gurgaon, Faridabad, Noida, etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) The Directorate General of Health Services *vide* Order No..4-39/2003-C&P/ 7908-23 dated 26.8.2003 has constituted a Standing Committee to review the appropriateness of treatment and procedures being advised/carried out in the Private hospitals/Diagnostic centres recognised under CGHS Delhi which includes the NCR towns of Gurgaon, Faridabad, Noida and Ghaziabad.

(b) and (c) In view of (a) above, the questions do not arise.

Policy for preventing Cholera

†2141, DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that outbreak of cholera in the country is on the rise;

(b) whether Government have formulated any planned policy for prevention of the same, so that it could be prevented completely; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) As per information furnished by Central Bureau of Health Intelligence (CBHI)

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.